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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF  
DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed within three months of the filing date of a National Application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). No fee or certification is required.

PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

The above-identified U.S. application claims priority to application U.S. Serial No. 10/273,241. If the Examiner has not had the benefit of review of the file history of U.S. Serial No. 10/273,241 then he/she is asked to contact the undersigned, who will provide a copy of same.

The applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>
10/375,481	February 27, 2003	Sweetland et al.
10/603,047	June 24, 2003	Sweetland et al.
10/619,210	July 14, 2003	Sweetland et al.
10/616,667	July 10, 2003	Sweetland et al.

The Applicant would also like to bring to the Examiner's attention the International Search Report from International Application No. PCT/US02/33191, corresponding to U.S. Application Serial No. 10/273,241, which this application claims priority to under 35 U.S.C. §120.

Each of the above identified applications and the above identified search report were previously cited and submitted to the U.S. Patent Office in parent application serial no. 10/273,241, which the present application relies upon for a filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120. As such, Applicant does not believe that copies are required to be submitted herewith and no such copies are being submitted. However, if the Examiner would like a courtesy copy of any of the above-identified applications, their file histories, or the search report, then the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney or agent, who will provide such a copy.

### PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### OTHER ART — NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner's Initials	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS) title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, relevant page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	Translation (Y/N)	

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\*a copy of this reference is not provided as it was previously cited by or submitted to the office in a prior application, Serial No. 10/273,241, filed October 17, 2002, and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120 (continuation, continuation-in-part, and divisional applications).

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